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SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN LANTOS DINNER FOR PRC FOREIGN
MINISTER QIAN, NOV. 30

2. SUMMARY. CONGRESSMAN LANTOS, FOLLOWING INTRODUCTORY
TOASTS AT HIS DINNER NOVEMBER 30 FOR CHINESE FOREIGN
MINISTER QIAN QICHEN, RAISED THE SUBJECT OF TIBET.

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3. LANTOS THEN RAISED HUMAN RIGHTS, MAKING A FORCEFUL
APPEAL FOR CHINA TO REMOVE THIS MAJOR OBSTACLE FROM THE
BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP, SO THAT RELATIONS COULD RETURN TO
THE WARM ATMOSPHERE OF PRE-TIANNANMEN DAYS. A LANTOS
STAFFER HANDED OUT A 26-PAGE LIST OF POLITICAL PRISONERS
IN CHINA AND TIBET. THE STAFFER, FROM THE CONGRESSIONAL
HUMAN RIGHTS FOUNDATION, ADDED THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO
ORGANIZE A DELEGATION OF INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS, AT THE

INVITATION OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, TO MONITOR THE
TRIALS AND REPORT THEM TO CONGRESS AND THE INTERNATIONAL
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22. QIAN THANKED LANTOS FOR THE DINNER. LANTOS THEN
ESCORTED THE CHINESE DELEGATION FOR A TOUR OF THE CAPITOL.
ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE, LANTOS EXPLAINED TO QIAN THE
ELECTRONIC VOTING PROCEDURES. HE THEN INVITED QIAN TO SIT
IN THE SPEAKER'S SEAT, NOTING THAT THIS WAS A GREAT
HONOR. QIAN COMPLIED, AND FOLLOWING THIS GESTURE, LANTOS
BID HIS CHINESE DINNER GUESTS GOODBYE.
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